Postdoctoral Research Fellowship at the Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU)

The Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU, based in the School of Economics at the University of Cape Town, invites applications for a post-doctoral research fellow to work together with SALDRU researchers on a range of projects focusing on poverty and inequality in a number of countries. The successful candidate will be involved in original empirical research, collating and facilitating access to administrative data report writing, capacity training, network building and the design of new surveys.

Applications are invited from candidates who:
- Have achieved a doctoral degree no more than 5 years ago
- Have not previously held any permanent professional academic posts

Value and Tenure:
The total value of the postdoctoral fellowship will range from R150 000 to R435 000, for a full academic year. Fellowships are awarded for one year and are renewable on evidence of satisfactory academic progress. Relocation expenses are not covered by the fellowship.

Eligibility Criteria:
Applicants must have:
- Demonstrated an interest in the field of poverty and inequality, labour markets, human capital and/or social policy;
- Strong STATA or R computing skills;
- Experience in compiling and using large and complex datasets
- An ability to communicate academic research to varying audiences
- At least two working papers, with published journal articles an added advantage

Applicants are required to submit:
- A letter of application
- A CV including details of any conference presentations, working papers and/or publications
- The names and contact details of 2 academic references who have taught/supervised the candidate at university

Conditions of Award:
The successful candidate will be required to:
- Register as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow in SALDRU at the School of Economics at UCT
- Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with her/his Principal Investigator and adhere to the plans and agreements therein
- Comply with the University’s approved policies, procedures and practices for the postdoctoral sector

Closing date for receipt of applications is 31 December 2020.

Enquiries and completed applications should be forwarded to amy.jephthah@uct.ac.za

Selection: Eligible applicants will be considered by a sub-committee convened by the Director of SALDRU.

The University of Cape Town reserves the right to disqualify ineligible, incomplete and/or inappropriate applications, to change the conditions of award and/or to make no award at all.